In the Claims

Please amend the claims as follows:

1.   (Currently Amended)   A system comprising:

a server computer having travel information;

a client computer, having a cursor moving element, and an actuator that is

actuated to select a current position of said cursor moving element, said client computer

connected to said server computer over a network, and running a server interfacing

program, which exchanges information with said server, said server interfacing program

operating to produce a graphical user interface that includes a hyperlinked image, that

allows entry of a desired starting area for travel, and a desired ending area for said

travel by selecting a link on the hyperlinked image, said graphical user interface

displaying a map of an area within which the travel will occur, and allowing said starting

area for said travel to be selected within said area by using said cursor moving element

to place a cursor of the graphical user interface over said starting area selecting a first

link on the hyperlinked image, and actuating said actuator to select said starting area,

and allowing said ending area for said travel to be selected by using said cursor moving

element to place the cursor of the graphical user interface over said ending area, and

actuating the actuator to indicate said ending area by selecting a second link on said

hyperlinked image, said server interfacing program receiving said starting area, and

said ending area, sending first travel information about both said starting area and said

ending area to said server, and receiving travel information from said server indicative

of travel options between the selected starting area and ending area.

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2.   (Currently Amended)   ~~A system as in claim 1,~~ A system comprising:

a server computer having travel information;

a client computer, having a cursor moving element, and an actuator that is

actuated to select a current position of said cursor moving element, said client computer

connected to said server computer over a network, and running a server interfacing

program, which exchanges information with said server, said server interfacing program

operating to produce a graphical user interface that allows entry of a desired starting

area for travel, and a desired ending area for said travel, said graphical user interface

displaying a map of an area within which the travel will occur, and allowing said starting

area for said travel to be selected within said area by using said cursor moving element

to place a cursor of the graphical user interface over said starting area, and actuating

said actuator to select said starting area, and allowing said ending area for said travel to

be selected by using said cursor moving element to place the cursor of the graphical

user interface over said ending area, and actuating the actuator to indicate said end

area, said server interfacing program receiving said starting area, and said ending area,

sending first travel information about both said starting area and said ending area to

said server, and receiving travel information from said server indicative of travel options

between the selected starting area and ending area,

wherein said server interfacing program further allows at least one of said

starting area or said ending area to be changed in size to form a changed in size area,

by using said cursor moving element to change a size of said at least one, and wherein

said first travel information includes information about said changed in size area, and

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said travel information received from said server includes options for different locations

within said changed in size area.

3.   (Original) A system as in claim 2, wherein said server computer produces

an image of a line extending between said starting point and said ending point, overlaid

on said map.

4.   (Original) A system as in claim 1, wherein said client computer displays a

first calender near said starting area, and near said ending area, allows selection of at

least one date from said calender and transmits said dates to said server computer,

said travel information received from said server computer being also based on said

dates.

5.   (Original) A system as in claim 3, wherein said line includes an indication

of a stopping point between said beginning point and said ending

Please add the following new claims

6.   (New) A system as in claim 1, wherein said client computer also displays

a screen tip based on a proximity of the cursor to a portion of the hyperlinked image.

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7.   (New) A system as in claim 6, wherein said screen tip indicates further information, including additional information about airports, beyond an amount of information being displayed on the image, about an area of said cursor.

8.   (New) A system as in claim 1, further comprising displaying, on said client, information about a selected trip from said starting area to said ending area, including information about an amount of deviation compared with an optimum route from said starting area to said ending area.

9.   (New) A system as in claim 1, wherein said amount of deviation includes information about travel times of different routes.

10.   (New) A system as in claim 2, wherein said starting area and ending area include information about airports within said areas, and said changing size is operative to add or subtract airports within said areas.

11.   (New) A system as in claim 1, further comprising a memory storing a travel itinerary on the server computer, and a biometric information entry device at the client computer, which allows entering biometric information that is used to access a stored travel itinerary from the client computer.

12.   (New) A system, comprising:

a server computer, storing travel information;

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a client computer, having a processor that is programmed to display a graphical

user interface, displaying a hyperlinked image including hyperlinks for a plurality of

airports which airports can form begin and end points of a trip, said hyperlinked image

being based on information from said server computer, and said client computer

including a movable element which is movable over said hyperlinked image, and said

movable element is actuated to select an area of said hyperlinked image including at

least one airport, and said movable element being variable to change a number of said

airports which are included within said area, and said movable element permitting

selection of said area as said begin and/or end point of the trip.

13.   (New) A system as in claim 12, wherein said processor is programmed to

display a screen tip based on information from said server computer, said screen tip

including additional information, which is additional to the information included on said

hyperlinked image, about at least one of said plurality of airports.

14. (New)   A system as in claim 12, wherein said processor is operative to

determine a matrix of flights between all airports within an area for said begin point and

all airports within an area for said end point.

15.   (New) A system as in claim 12, wherein said processor is operative to

determine an optimal flying route between said begin point and said end point, and

display an actual selected flying route relative to said optimal flying route.

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16.   (New) A system as in claim 15, wherein said processor is further operative to determine a deviation between the optimal flying route and said selected flying route.

17.   (New) A system as in claim 12, further comprising a biometric information reader associated with said client computer, wherein said processor controls said client computer controls obtaining said biometric information, and said server computer stores travel information about individuals that is associated with biometric information about the individuals, and returns said travel information to said client computer based on biometric information sent from said client computer.

18.   (New)   A system as in claim 12, further comprising allowing a user to make a binding offer, including payment information, for any of plural airline routes between any of said begin points, and any of said end points.

19.   (New) A method, comprising:

storing travel information about a plurality of different travel routes in a first server computer which is connected via a publicly available network to a plurality of client computers;

receiving graphical information in a client computer from said server computer, which graphical information includes a hyperlinked image with a plurality of airport locations on said hyperlinked image being associated with links representing said airport locations;

allowing selecting a plurality of said airport locations, as a starting area for a trip;

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allowing selecting a plurality of said airport locations as an ending area of said

trip; and

calculating travel information about multiple possible routes between airports in

said starting area and said ending area, and displaying on the client computer

information multiple ones of the calculated routes.

20.   (New) A method as in claim 19, further comprising displaying a screen tip

on the client computer responsive to a cursor being placed over a link on the

hyperlinked image, indicating additional information about the airport represented by the

link.

21.   (New) A method as in claim 19, further comprising determining, for a

selected airline route, a comparison with an optimum airline route.

22.   (New) A method as in claim 21, further comprising displaying information

about said comparison.

23.   (New) A method as in claim 19, further comprising allowing a user to

make a binding offer, including payment information, for any of said multiple possible

routes between any airports in said starting area to any airports in said ending area.

24.   (New) A method, comprising:

at a client computer, entering biometric information;

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sending said information over a publicly available network, from said client

computer, to a server computer which stores a plurality of stored travel profiles;

associating said biometric information with a specific user, and finding a travel

profile associated with the specific user based on said biometric information; and

returning said travel profile to said client computer over the publicly available

network.

25.   (New) A method, comprising:

allowing the user to select a plurality of different first airports for starting points of

an airline trip, and to select a plurality of second airports for ending points of an airline

trip, on a graphical interface; and

sending said plurality of different airports to a server computer over a network

and using said server computer to calculate plural airline routes between each of said

first airports and each of said second airports.

26.   (New) A method as in claim 25, wherein said allowing comprises allowing

the user to select an area, and change the size of the area to encompass said plurality

of different airports.

27.   (New) A method as in claim 25, further comprising arranging the

combinations of airline routes between each of said first airports and each of said

second airports into a matrix form.

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28.   (New) A method as in claim 25, further comprising allowing a user to make a binding offer, including payment information, for any of said plural airline routes between any of said first airports, and any of said second airports.

29.   (New) A method, comprising:

accepting input from the user including a beginning point, an ending point, and a number of times that the user is willing to change from one transportation mode to another transportation mode to get from said beginning point to said ending point; and

determining multiple routes between said beginning point and said ending point using multiple transportation modes, including at least air transportation and ground transportation, and providing prices and trip details responsive to said determining.

30.   (New) A method as in claim 29, further comprising:

accepting a binding offer for a maximum price for the itinerary from the user along with a payment form;; and

determining whether the offer will be accepted and if so, charging the payment form for a cost of the offer.

31.   (New) A method as in claim 29, further comprising including a cost for hotel accomodations within the binding offer.

32.   (New) A method as in claim 30, wherein said beginning point and said end point may each include multiple travel terminals, and wherein said binding offer is made

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for any of said plural routes between any of said multiple travel terminals for said

beginning point, and any of said multiple travel terminals of said end point.

33.   (New) A method, comprising:

accepting information from a user including a desired payment amount for both

transportation from a starting point to an ending point, and lodging at a lodging point,

and at least one acceptable ground travel distance;

accepting a binding offer with a guaranteed payment form; and

determining routes between multiple travel terminals within said distance from

the starting point, multiple travel terminals within said distance from the destination

point, and determining if said binding offer will be accepted for any of said routes, and if

so, automatically charging the payment form.

34.   (New) A method as in claim 33, further comprising including a cost for

hotel accomodations within the binding offer.

35.   (New) A method as in claim 33, further comprising specifying exclusion

criteria which excludes certain conditions from the determined routes.

36.   (New) A method as in claim 34, further comprising specifying exclusion

criteria which excludes certain conditions from the hotel accommodations that can be

included within the binding offer.

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37.   (New) A method, comprising:

accepting information from a user about a binding offer, including at least desired

transportation starting and end information and exclusion criteria representing

information about conditions to be excluded from the binding offer; and

determining acceptable travel arrangements between said starting and end that

does not include the exclusion criteria, and if so accepting the offer.

38.   (New) A method as in claim 37, wherein said travel arrangements include
an airline.

39.   (New) A method as in claim 38, wherein said travel arrangements include
a hotel.

40.   (New) A method as in claim 37, wherein said starting and end each

include multiple airports, and wherein said binding offer is for any of plural airline routes

between any of said starting and end airports.

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